Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Sunday 10 Sep 2023 until 23:59 on Monday 11 Sep 2023

Forecast Issued on Sunday 10 Sep 2023 at 03:18 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for unsettled weather on Sunday then change to colder, brighter weather early next week.

Headline for Sunday 10 Sep 2023: Mostly cloudy with outbreaks of rain. Drier, brighter in east of area.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 10 Sep 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability					
50%	40%	50%	70%	80%	80%

Forecast for Sunday 10 Sep 2023

Weather: Mostly cloudy with outbreaks of rain, most persistent over hills in the west and also across north Highlands. Drier over hills near the Great Glen and also towards Ben Wyvis with brighter conditions.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% in northwest of area, 70% in southeast.

Low cloud and visibility: Misty conditions at times over western ranges such as Knoydart, Skye and Torridon as well as in the north, up towards Ben Hope. Also extensive cloud cover here above about 600 to 700m. Further south and east across the area, the visibility will become good with more patchy cloud at lower levels and the main canopy of cloud above the summits.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	9/10 SW	14/16 SW	19/23 SW	18/23 SW	15/19 SW	9/12 W	12/16 W
900	7/8 SW	10/12 SW	16/20 SW	17/21 SW	14/18 SW	9/12 W	11/15 W
600	4/6 SE	5/7 W	10/14 SW	11/16 SW	11/15 W	6/9 NW	8/13 W
300	0/4 SW	0/8 S	2/12 SW	2/14 SW	3/14 W	3/11 W	3/13 W
Glen	0/2 S	1/2 W	3/7 W	3/9 W	4/10 W	6/10 W	3/9 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	8/6	9/6	10/7	10/7	9/6	8/6	7/4
900	9/7	10/7	10/8	11/8	10/7	9/6	8/5
600	10/10	11/10	12/10	12/10	12/10	10/9	10/8
300	12/12	12/12	13/13	14/14	14/13	12/12	12/11
Glen	14/14	14/14	15/15	16/16	15/15	14/14	14/14
Freezing Level*	3300m	3200m	3100m	3100m	3100m	3100m	3000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing to add.

Forecast for Monday 11 Sep 2023
Weather: Cloudy start with outbreaks of rain. It will become drier, brighter during the morning with scattered showers following in afternoon. Turning colder on the tops.

Maximum wind: West becoming northwesterly winds, average speeds of 15 to 20mph with gusts 30mph on the tops.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% at first, improving 60% during the morning.

Low cloud and visibility: Misty at first with patches of poor visibility in more persistent rain. Also extensive clouds well down the hills. Visibility will improve good during the morning with clouds lifting and breaking up. Brief interruptions to poorer visibility and lower clouds as showers come in the afternoon.

Temperature: **Glens:** 10 Celsius rising to 17 Celsius.
At 800m: 10 Celsius falling to 6 Celsius.
Freezing level: Staying well above the summits.

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